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Kazumaro Aoki et al.

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ENCRYPTION

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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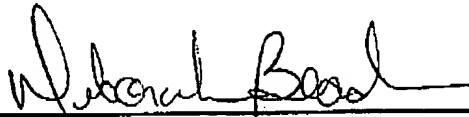
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Applicant(s): Kazumaro Aoki et al.					
Invention: <b>DEVICE AND METHOD FOR EVALUATING RANDOMNESS OF FUNCTIONS, DEVICE AND METHOD FOR GENERATING RANDOM FUNCTION, AND RECORDED MEDIUM ON WHICH PROGRAMS FOR IMPLEMENTING THESE METHODS ARE RECORDED</b>					
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